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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants have been notified that their response filed November 15, 2004, has been found to be non-responsive in that there were rejections in the Office Action of May 12, 2004, that were not mentioned at all in the Response. The undersigned apologizes for this oversight.

Applicant believes that they have addressed the 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejections with the amendments made to the claims in their initial response.

With respect to the art rejections made in, the Office Action of May 12, 2004, Applicants believe they have addressed the 35 U.S.C. 102(b) rejections raised with respect to the *Kaman* and *Klein* references.

With respect to the 35 U.S.C. 103(a) rejection, relating to claims 9-14 and 16-32 as being unpatentable over *Kaman* in view of *Hirshberg*, all these claims are dependent claims and the patentability of these claims is based on the patentability of the claims from which they depend and the patentability of such base claims was addressed in Applicant's arguments concerning the *Kaman* reference.

With respect to the rejection of claims 38-51, under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) these claims are also dependent claims and the patentability of these claims is based on the patentability of the claims from which they depend.

Finally, claim 15 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Kaman* in view of *Hirschberg*, and further in view of *Treyz*, *et al.*, and patentability of this claim 15 is based on the patentability of claims 1 and 13 from which it depends.

Applicant believes that it has now addressed all of the rejections or objections recited in the Office Action of May 12, 2004. The Examiner has not specifically identified the rejections that were not addressed, and if such rejections have not been addressed now, the undersigned would appreciate it if the Examiner would call the undersigned so that such rejection can be immediately addressed.

Respectfully submitted,

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